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**Committees:** Finance (Minority Vice Chair); Agriculture, Forestry and Tourism; Government Oper-

ations; Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

**Biography:** Democrat, of Detroit; born January 28, 1969; University of Pennsylvania; construction manager, Parkside Building Company and Avis Tech Park Partners; senior legislative assistant, Congresswoman Barbara-Rose Collins; Detroit Campaign Director, Bob Carr for U.S. Senate; founding member, Independent Policy Group; board of directors, Matthew McNeely Neighborhood Foundation; Trade Union Leadership Council; advisory committees, Plowshare Theater Company, American Diabetes Association; Public Arts Committee member, Detroit 300; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; NAACP; Detroit Institute of Arts Founder's Society; board member, 1000 Friends of Metro Detroit; received 2000 Legislator of the Year from Michigan Municipal League, 2001 Outstanding Legislator of the Year from Michigan Association of Regions awards; elected to the House of Representatives, 1996; House Democratic Leader; 2002 Outstanding Legislator of the Year Award from School Psychologists; elected to the State Senate, 2002.

